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SUBJECT:PIANIST FOR BUDAPEST - GARY GRAFFMAN

REF: BUDAPEST 4525

1. REGRET POLLACK'S EUROPEAN TOUR NOT MATERIALIZING THERE-
FORE HAVE APPROACHED OUTSTANDING PIANIST GARY GRAFFMAN
WHO COULD TRAVEL FROM FRANKFURT ON FEBRUARY 20 AND
PERFORM FEBRUARY 21 OR 22. DEPT WILL COVER FEE WHICH HE
REDUCING CONSIDERABLY FOR THIS ENGAGEMENT. ASSUME POST
CAN PAY TRAVEL FRANKFURT-BUDAPEST-FRANKFURT (OR LONDON)
AND PER DIEM.

2. NOT ONLY IS GRAFFMAN PHENOMENAL PIANIST BUT EXCELLENT
OFFSTAGE AS WELL AS COLLECTOR OF ART AND ARTIFACTS.
GRAFFMAN HAS NEVER PERFORMED IN HUNGARY AND THEREFORE
DELIGHTED AT OPPORTUNITY.

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3. NOT KNOWING LENGTH OF PROGRAM REQUIRED, GRAFFMAN
SUBMITTED RECITAL PROGRAM HE WILL PERFORM UPON RETURN TO
U.S. AFTER BUDAPEST I.E. MENDELSSOHN FANTASY IN F SHARP
MINOR; BEETHOVEN WALDENSTEIN SONATA; INTERMISSION;
MOUSSORSKY PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION.

4. POST SHOULD SPECIFY LENGTH OF CONCERT, SIZE OF EXPECTED

AUDIENCE, ANY PERTINENT DETAILS WHEN KNOWN.

5. DEPT AIRPOUCHING PRESS KIT. VANCE

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